

Civilized Warfare.

The following is from the pen of one of the soldiers that formed the hollow square that shot Commandant Scheepers:

"Commandant Scheepers was shot at 3 o'clock. They brought him from town in an ambulance van, with the band playing and the firing party following behind. When they got him to his grave he begged to be allowed to stand up and face death, but they tied him down in a chair and blindfolded him. Then fifteen of the Coldstream Guards stood ten paces from him and fired. The volley almost blew one side of him away, and it was a sickening sight. He must have been a brave man; he did not flinch or turn pale. They buried him as he was and broke up the chair on which he had sat, throwing the pieces on top of him.

"When it is further remembered that the tune played by the band that conveyed Scheepers to death was a rollicking one, and that the victim at the time was suffering from severe wounds, the rage and horror excited among the Boers by the execution may be imagined."

Another cablegram from London states:

"The latest returned South African hero is Sergeant Paish of the Glamorganshire militia. He hanged with his own hands four Boers accused of breaking their parole, a punishment which in itself is a breach of civilized usages. What specially aroused jingo admiration was Paish's description of the 'pretty scene' created by the wife of one of his victims when she saw him practicing the hanging before-hand with an old devil. This practice was carried on in a public place so the women could not fail to see."

This is very amusing and interesting reading. The cablegram does not inform us, but we suppose this distinguished British officer, and exponent of civilized warfare, took kodak snap shots of the 'pretty scenes' that Boer women and children made while it was being demonstrated by a dummy how the husband and father was to be choked to death. Not a contortion of the countenance of the women, not a movement of a muscle that betokened agony of mind on the part of the child was lost. The imploring hands of little children, the tear upon the cheek of wife and daughter, the grave countenances of the people in the background, horrified at willful and deliberate murder, all, we suppose, were set forth by this soldier artist for the delectation of the ultra fashionable set in England. Perhaps the pretty scenes will be reproduced in this country to please our society ladies and gentlemen. What a pity this Christian soldier, this pink of piety, did not have the foresight to preserve the photographic records of the screams of the women whose husbands were being done to death before their eyes, or the wailing of the children whose fathers were being slaughtered to make an amusing spectacle. How lucky for these people it is that there is no God to hear the cry of the widow and the orphan, and how fortunate for the English that the fool Boers think there is One who forbids them to take vengeance upon their enemies. This superstition caused them to return the wounded Matheune to the English on the ridiculous ground that they could not properly care for him, and they disliked to inflict needless suffering upon a fellow man.

The execution of Scheepers seems to have been dull and uninteresting. There was no Mrs. Scheepers present with her children to make a "pretty scene." Would it not be very uncomfortable for Sergeant Paish and the ladies and gentlemen he has amused so pleasantly if there should be a just God, after all? It is about time for some good brother at a conference to rise in his place and thank God for the work being done by the English in South Africa. England is a Christian nation. The approving United States is another Christian nation. A heathen nation would be an improvement.

Compromise Upon What?

Two items appeared in a recent issue of the *Republic*, that make clear the entire political situation from the standpoint of the practical politician. One declares:

"That the leaders of the Democratic party regard it as necessary to select a committee to manage the congressional campaign, that will be able to collect a large campaign fund from the corporation and money interests of the country."

The other states:

"That the representatives of the railroad and other corporate interests have informed President Roosevelt that further unfriendly acts upon his part toward them, will leave him without a campaign fund in 1904."

This is the whole theory of practical politics in a nutshell. If you oppose the trusts you can't have money, and without money you can't run a campaign. How then can the Democratic party make an anti-trust, anti-monopoly campaign and at the same time draw the money of war from the beneficiaries of monopoly? The reorganizer proposes to solve the difficulty by promulgating an anti-trust platform, and permitting the trusts to select the candidate to stand upon it.

This would render them secure, no matter which party succeeded. The platform would be all right for the people, and the candidate would be all right for the trusts, so they would placidly furnish grease to run both machines. This scheme is all right and looks well on paper, but it has one fatal defect: the fool people won't accept it. The fact is there is no place for the practical politician in the ranks of the anti-monopoly forces. Instead of becoming enriched its leaders must be prepared to make sacrifices. No cause has ever lived and been carried forward to success that did not call for self-sacrifice. Every good thing in this world is a monument to some one's unselfish effort. If Democracy is to win, it must cut loose from the boudier, the bribe-giver and the bribe-taker; from the men who would sell out heaven for a present advantage. The spirit that created this nation must be invoked. The spirit that has sustained and energized the men who have carried the banner of every great cause, is alive in the hearts of our people to-day as it was in the days of our Revolution, in the days of the French Revolution, and at the time when the Republican party girded on its armor to overthrow the slavery that it is now seeking to bring back.

If the Democratic party is not to cease to be a political force; if it is to retain the confidence of the people, it must cut loose from the plutocracy. It must cast behind it every thought of replenishing its campaign fund from the treasure-house of its enemies. It must stand upon its principles without wavering. It may have to face defeat for twenty years, but eventually it will win. It must appeal to the liberty-loving instincts of the people. If these are dead there is no use for a Democratic party.

The trouble with the Democratic party now, is that men are losing faith in the men who are supposed to be its leaders. They have faith in Bryan, but the spirit of commercialism so pervades everything that they look upon every one with suspicion. Cleveland, Hill, Carlisle, Morrison, Francis, Olney, Watterson and hosts of others deserted in the hour when victory perched upon its banner. Grave suspicions are abroad that there were men in the national committees, which managed the two last Democratic campaigns, who were unfriendly to Mr. Bryan and who were not averse to the success of his rival.

The Democratic party will begin to grow when it cuts entirely loose from the opportunist. It will become a healthy, aggressive party when its members have a common object other than to get to the pie counter. Leaders who would sacrifice the principles of the party in order to keep in touch with the barrel of the plutocracy must be kicked out. They do not and can not belong to the Democratic party. With established principles and clean leadership, there will result a united party. Men will make sacrifices for such a party, but not for one run by the enemy's money.

Arcadia Items.

Miss Blanche Fletcher is visiting in Mexico, Mo.

J. W. Gossney of Brule spent Sunday with home folks.

E. A. Ross of De Soto is here on the pusher, in place of John Austin, who is spending a few days in St. Louis.

Sam Hatten was home last week.

S. P. Ringo was in St. Louis last week buying his spring goods.

Mrs. Rush entertained a few friends at the residence of Mr. B. Polk, last Wednesday evening. All report a fine time.

George Hasty visited in St. Louis last week.

Mrs. Poletto Elvins of Doe Run is visiting relatives here.

UNCLE JOE.

Des Arc Items.

We have had lots of rain, and Big Creek has been higher than for several years.

Roads are bad, and hub timber is moving along slow. Farmers are getting behind with their crops; some are not through sowing oats. The wheat crop is looking fine out about the Brunot country. The farmers use lots of bone meal.

Spring is about here now and cattle can live very well. Vegetation is coming up fast. Hogs on the range are fat and looking well. Stock of all kinds is coming out much better than expected.

W. T. O'Neal was here several days last week, calling on the boys. Also Mr. Van Nort, who is a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney.

Our town must be a resort for drummers, for there is two or three here every day.

J. W. Cooper is taking a contract to build three brick stores in Piedmont. From what the Piedmont Banner says, that town will be on the boom soon.

E. W. Graves spent a few days in the city last week.

J. E. Jordan spent Sunday with his parents at this place.

Chas. Semands returned last week from a trip through Texas. He will return to De Soto Wednesday.

Art Myers is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. H. J. Wray spent Sunday with her daughter near Patterson.

Mrs. Kimmel, who spent the winter with her daughter in Paragould, Ark., is visiting relatives at this place.

Mrs. Frank Barnett visited her aunt, Mrs. F. R. Raney, last week.

Master Herbert Lucy of Mill Springs visited his aunt last week.

Mr. Potter of De Soto was in town Tuesday.

April 8, 1902.

4 good houses to rent in Ironton and Arcadia. MRS. H. O'BRIEN.

Collins, the livery man, has all kinds of hay for sale. Will be sold in any quantity, from the bale to the carload. Prices low as the lowest.

Weather Report.

Meteorological report of Voluntary Observer at Ironton, Iron county, Mo., for the week ending Tuesday, April 8, 1902:

Days of Week.	Temperature.		Precipitation.
	Highest.	Lowest.	
Wednesday	60	28	
Thursday	44	43	.65
Friday	55	37	.05
Saturday	57	30	
Sunday	69	45	.20
Monday	75	41	
Tuesday	85	25	

NOTE—Precipitation includes rain, hail, sleet and melted snow and is recorded in inches and hundredths. Ten inches of snow equal one inch of rain. "T" indicates trace of precipitation.

W. H. DELANO, Observer.

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PROBATE DOCKET,

Term Docket Probate Court Iron County, Missouri, May Term, A. D. 1902.

Monday, May 12.

W. R. Patterson, administrator of the estate of John Pennebecker, deceased. Final.

W. R. Patterson, administrator of the estate of Martin L. Pennebecker, deceased. Final.

J. W. Alcorn, guardian and curator of the person and estate of James E. Strother, minor. Final.

Richard Hartnoll, guardian and curator of the person and estate of Alfred F. Hartnoll, minor.

Tuesday, May 13.

Wm. T. Depeu, executor of the estate of Thomas Boarer, deceased. Final.

August Rieke, executor of the estate of Wilhelmina Heitkamp, deceased. Final.

Wm. H. Whitworth, curator of the estate of Jacob Fisker, minor.

George W. Clarkson, Guardian of person and estate of T. Rosser Clarkson, minor.

J. B. HAMPTON.

Probate Judge an ex-Officio Clerk.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Martin L. Pennebecker, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator, at the next Term of the Probate Court of Iron county, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1902.

W. R. PATTERSON, Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Thomas Boarer, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator, at the next term of the Probate Court of Iron county, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1902.

WM. DEPEU, Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of John Pennebecker, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator, at the next term of the Probate Court of Iron county, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1902.

W. R. PATTERSON, Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Executor of the estate of Wilhelmina Heitkamp, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Executor, at the next Term of the Probate Court of Iron county, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said county, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1902.

AUGUST RIEKE, Executor.

Special Bargains.

I will be in Ironton until next Tuesday, and during that time will give a special discount of twenty per cent. on all my Pianos in stock. All of the best.

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AUG. WINKLER.

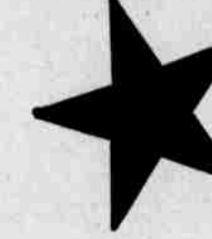
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